

ABSTRACT

[Abstract of the Disclosure]

5 A MEMS device having flexure elements with non-linear restoring force. The
MEMS device has a substrate, support elements formed on the substrate, a moveable
element positioned over the substrate by the support elements to move relative
substrate, flexure elements for elastically suspending the moveable element on the
support elements, a driving element for moving the moveable element, and repulsive
10 elements for increasing the repulsive force of the flexure elements when the flexure
elements supporting the moveable element are resiliently deformed during movement
of the moveable element. In a MEMS device, the range of controlling the position of a
moveable element is extended if flexure elements having non-linear repulsive force
control the position of the moveable element. A restoring force is obtained by flexure
15 elements having non-linear repulsive force and the moveable element is prevented
from sticking. The MEMS device has much higher reliability than a general MEMS
device.

[Representative Drawing]

FIG. 6